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Defense Needs Lose To Play Area Patio

Civilian Defense took a back seat to recreation Tuesday night as the Torrance City Council voted to build a barbecue patio in Waleria while overriding a suggestion that Civilian Defense needs be studied first.

Mayor Bob L. Haggard, who recently returned from a special Civilian Defense meeting in Sacramento, expressed the opinion that it might be wiser to study the problem of providing the city with Civilian Defense funds before spending any more money for recreation.

Cost of the covered patio with sinks and gas plates to be erected in Waleria Park was approximately \$1400.

Haggard made no specific recommendations as to how the money would be spent if diverted to defense needs. He stated that he thought the recreational facility "would be nice" and that he certainly had no personal animosity toward any members of the recreation commission for its recommendations but felt that defense planning should certainly be given serious consideration at this time.

Councilman Nick Drule reasoned that the facility would be needed even more should the city organize civilian defense groups. He said the area no doubt would be used by the various units for meeting places and could be used as a field kitchen should the need arise.

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Richard Dwyer, Thomas A. Bray and P. D. McNeil.

Honorary pallbearers were John W. Barbet, Joseph Ball, Louis Sopka, Don Mather, D. A. Curtis, Carl Hawkins and Fred Lipert.

The deceased was a member of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce and had long been active in the Knights of Columbus.

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Torrance Draft Registry Can Sign Up Medics

Doctors, dentists and veterinarians who must register now for selective service may do so in Torrance, W. E. Bowen, draft registrar, said Tuesday.

All medical men in the above classifications under the age of 50 and who have not registered during the October 16 draft call must register on January 15, Bowen said.

These medics attached to reserve components need not register, he said.

Local medical men may register either with Bowen or Mrs. Bowen at 1321 Post avenue from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or with Mrs. Helen Dill at the Veteran's Service Center, 1103 Sartori avenue.

Daisy Murray Rites Today

Funeral services for Daisy G. Murray, 36, wife of Harold R. Murray, of 2528 Cabrillo avenue, will be held in the Stone and Myers Mortuary chapel at 10 a.m. today under the direction of Rev. Clarence E. Miller, pastor of the First Methodist Church.

Mrs. Murray, who leaves one daughter, Mrs. Peggy Peacock, of 1638 Greenwood avenue, and one son, David McBride, died last Tuesday.

A resident here for six years, Mrs. Murray had been a recorder of the Women of Moose of Torrance. Her husband is employed at National Supply.

Following rites here today, the body of Mrs. Murray will be sent to Laramie, Wyoming, for burial.

Also surviving the deceased are her mother, of Longmont, Colorado, three sisters in Wyoming, and one brother in Colorado.

Torrance Recruit Joins Guard Unit

A Torrance youth, who recently arrived at Camp Cooke, was taking basic training this week with the 40th Infantry Division, former Southern California National Guard unit.

Ret. Joe J. Hiltzenderger has been assigned to the 625th Field Artillery Battalion. Before his recent induction into the Army, he lived at 1728 Abalone avenue. In civilian life he worked as a body and fender man.

Pete White Takes Over Electric Shop

Assuming ownership of the Torrance Electric Shop at 1421 Marcelina avenue recently was Pete White, a veteran of several years in electrical construction in oil fields, refineries, and commercial buildings.

For the past six years, White has been managing the shop he now owns for B. J. Scott, Scott, whose sport shop in front of the Electric Shop was recently taken over by Ben and Paul Smith of the Torrance Cycle Shop, has closed out both businesses now and is vacationing here and there, White reports.

The new owner of the electrical business reports that he has finally received all of the necessary licenses to operate the firm under his name and is now ready for business.

In addition to electrical installations and repair, White will carry a line of electrical building materials in his shop.

\$40 Fire Ruins Neighborhood

Screaming sirens of three Los Angeles fire engines and several police cars rolled several hundred persons from their beds at 3:45 a.m. Monday morning as the equipment sped to answer a fire call which did an estimated \$40 damages to the furnishings in a residence at 1612 West 208th street.

Mrs. Hazel M. McDowell, the occupant, received first and second degree burns on the hands according to Battalion Chief Floyd Adams. A cigarette started the blaze which ignited furniture on the east side of the living room, the reports indicated. Engine Company 79, Engine 38, and Truck 38 responded to the call.

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